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Cmdr. Paul Rasmussen, A Paperboy, Sizzler and Navy

EPISODE 6 | JULY 10, 2020

NPS Program Officer Paul Rasmussen discusses his techniques of adjusting to the current pandemic, his time at NPS, and how previous jobs helped him lead in the Navy.

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Dr. Jennifer Heissel, Family Elements and the DoD

EPISODE 4 | JUNE 30, 2020

Dr. Jennifer Heissel discusses her recent research examining how parental support policies like childcare and parental leave affect new parents' work performance and health.

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Lt. Col. Matthew Taranto, The Uniqueness of an NPS Ph.D.

EPISODE 2 | JUNE 23, 2020

Lt. Col. Matthew Taranto discuss the what makes the NPS PhD program unique, Aerospace in the Air Force and the gift of education.

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Maj. Ryan Tice, The Rise of the Arctic

EPISODE 5 | JUNE 30, 2020

Maj. Ryan Tice discusses the rise of the arctic, the importance of naval integration and empathy.

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Prof. Mara Orescanin, Oceanography and the Navy

EPISODE 3 | JUNE 30, 2020

Professor Mara Orescanin discusses her drone research and her passion of engaging students in critical thinking.

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Dr. Frank Narducci, Quantum Physics and the Navy

EPISODE 1 | MAY 8, 2020

Dr. Frank Narducci discusses family, having a physicist for a father, and his personal passion of incorporating quantum physics into Navy practices.

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Upcoming Guests to the Trident Room Podcast ...

Major Jonathan Fagins

U.S. Army Special Forces Officer

NPS Alumni - Master of Science Degree in Defense Analysis

Dr. Michael A. Glosny

East Asian Policy Advisor

NPS Senior Lecturer - Department of National Security Affairs

Help Shape the Conversation!



The Trident Room Podcast is always looking for interesting guests with compelling perspectives. Submit your questions for upcoming guests or topics to [**TridentRoomPodcastHost@nps.edu**](mailto:TridentRoomPodcastHost@nps.edu).

THE TRIDENT ROOM HISTORY

The (podcast) Trident Room History

The Trident Room Podcast officially started broadcasting in the summer of 2020. It was created by an HSI/OR student who wanted to capture conversations he was having with the impressive array of faculty, students, and staff roaming the halls of NPS. Podcasting provides a direct and unfettered connection with listeners, and he wanted to bring that same kind of informative, yet intimate exchange to the Naval Postgraduate School community.

Topics to be featured on The Trident Room Podcast include (but are not limited to):

- The on-campus “NPS Student-Learning Experience”
- NPS Science and Technology
- Student leadership, now, and in the Fleet
- Facing difficult multi-domain problems
- Applied research as the bridge between the classroom and the Fleet
- Individual, tactical, operational, and strategic level topics relevant to Naval Officers
- Human-centric technology, operations, and processes

The Trident Room Podcast was developed with support provided by the **Naval Postgraduate School Alumni Association and Foundation** (NPSAAF). Founded in 1970 at the request of former NPS Superintendent Rear Adm. Robert McNitt, the Naval Postgraduate School Foundation (NPSF) has a strong history of supporting our nation’s top graduate-level military institution. ADM Henry Mauz then took up the charge and lead NPSAAF into a "new era" and provided critical leadership over the past 25 years.

For decades, the foundation has administered private donations to the school, improved the school’s physical facilities, funded innovative research to address national security issues, and led many other initiatives to elevate the educational experience for our nation’s service members. In 2018, NPSF became the NPS Alumni Association & Foundation, as the organization officially established an **alumni association** for NPS graduates.

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The (real) Trident Room History

In 1926 The Spanish Revival Hotel Del Monte opened what they called “The Children’s Playroom” during the prohibition. The “playroom” acted as a speakeasy where the community came together. Within a week of the repeal of Prohibition in December 1933, the room officially became a bar. Hotel Del Monte renamed “The Children’s Playroom” as The Del Monte Tap Room.

In 1951 the historic building became the Naval Academy’s postgraduate school that instructed students from multiple service branches. In 1953, The Trident Room was born (and renovated), becoming a social site for the students. The bar still possesses most of

the original fixtures and character -- stained glass windows, copper, and dark wood. The ceiling is neatly lined with rows of designated mugs for each student. Each mug possesses a unique signature illustrated by the student, and that mug is taken with the student when they graduate.

Within the atmosphere of The Trident Room, the patrons of the bar range from CIA agents, quantum physicists, airmen, and astronauts. Looking for the perfect place to have a drink? Welcome to The Trident Room.

Article: **Trident Room, a Bar So Exclusive You Need An Escort**

Meet the Team Title

MEET THE TEAM

Joe Novak, Creator and Host

Joe is from Cleveland, Ohio and went through ROTC in central NY State. He went on to a “NATO” pilot training program (ENJJPT) and then flew F-15Cs. He then went to medical school in Chicago and did an Emergency Medicine residency in Texas. He flew CCATT missions (“flying ICU’s”) between Afghanistan, Germany, and the US and then became a flight surgeon. Just prior NPS, he was stationed at a remote rural multinational C-17 unit in Hungary as the sole western MD for over a hundred miles.

Joe Novak Image



Michael Morris, Co-host

Mike grew up in Coal Valley, Illinois. After high school, he attended the Air Force Academy, commissioning in 2009. During his career, he's worked mainly as an airfield operations officer, focusing on air traffic control and airfield and airspace management. He has operated airfields at various locations in the U.S. and abroad, including the UAE, Iraq, and Honduras. Most recently, he staffed combat airspace for Air Force Special Operations Command, developing training programs and new combat fires integration capabilities. Currently, Mike is a student in the National Security Affairs department at NPS, preparing to be a Foreign Area Officer in European Command. This is his first podcast.

Michael Morris Image



Brian Pajarillo, Campus Outreach

Brian is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. He is the President of the NPS President's Board of Student Advisors. He is currently studying Manpower Systems Analysis at NPS and his research thesis subject is on Human Behavior Analysis on Naval Personnel. As a Human Resources Officer, Brian served as Student Services Officer as part of the staff at NPS. His next assignment will be as a Manpower Analyst.

LTJG Brian Pajarillo Image



Ash Hollingsworth, Editor

Ash is from Boise, Idaho and has a background in film production and studies. She moved to Southern California in 2012 to study and participate in the film industry and later attended The Art Institute of California - Hollywood. In 2019 she moved to Monterey, CA to be with her large family. Currently, she is working as the editor for The Trident Room Podcast and writing an on spec television series.

Ash Hollingsworth Image

